

SOUTH DAVIS COUNTY TRANSIT DEIS Salt Lake City Sub-Committee Meeting No. 2 - Summary

Project: Meeting Purpose:

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Meeting Location:

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Salt Lake City Main Library

May 2, 2007

<u>Attendee</u> <u>Representing</u>

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Process

K. Clark began by explaining where the project currently is in the overall process. She indicated that the purpose and need and evaluation criteria for the project are currently being developed. Input from the next round of sub-committee meetings will also be used to accomplish these tasks.

Identification of Goals and Objectives

It was explained the community visions identified at each of the sub-committee meetings were used to create a list of goals and objectives for the project. At the regional workshop the list of goals and objectives was prioritized. K. Clark highlighted some of the highest ranking goals and objectives, including the number one goal to "create a complete transit system within the region that connects to transit options serving outside the region."

Identification of Problem Statements

It was explained the community needs and concerns identified at each of the subcommittee meetings were used to create a list of problem statements for the project. The project team summarized the list into 14 problem statements. K. Clark reviewed the 14 statements with the sub-committee.

Purpose and Need

The development of a "purpose and need" statement is part of FTA requirements for this project. K. Clark explained that "goals" and "purpose" are interchangeable terms, as are "problem statements" and "needs". Draft purpose statements for the project were reviewed along with each of the corresponding needs. Materials to back-up the development of the draft purpose and need statements were provided as handouts to all of the sub-committee members.

Future Conditions

R. Hutcheson gave a brief overview of the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) regional travel model. She explained input for the model included population, employment and proposed transportation improvements (including Legacy Parkway, Commuter rail, Salt Lake City light rail and BRT projects, the updated bus network, 500 South improvements, Redwood Road improvements and I-15 HOV improvements). Maps illustrating model inputs were shown. It was noted the WFRC demographic projections for 2030 were supplemented by individual meetings with each city in the study area. Information was divided into Transportation Analysis Zones (TAZ's) to help organize the regional data at a local level. Future traffic conditions, travel demand and transit demand maps were also shown. When shown the LOS in 2030, it was addressed the project team may want to show comparable city's LOS. It was mentioned congestion is good for the livelihood of downtown Salt Lake City. The project team agreed to showing a comparable city's LOS, or at the very least mentioning at the Regional Workshop congestion is not going to be solved, but rather the study's aim is to give a better transit option.

Objective Exercise

Following is a list of objectives identified by the West Bountiful Sub-Committee members, grouped under purpose headings:

Purpose # 1:

Create a complete transit within the region that connects to transit options serving outside of the region.

Objectives:

- 1. Provide a regional network system that recognizes the relationships between level of transit service and level of density.
- 2. Consistency of service (drivers, messages given, detours).
- 3. Ability to disperse from Salt Lake City.
- 4. Affordable transit.
- 5. Provide transit frequency and reliability.

Purpose # 2:

Improve east-west connectivity.

Objectives:

1. Improve east/west transit options in Salt Lake City (to University).

Purpose # 3:

Reduce auto congestion.

Objectives:

- 1. Reduce number of cars on the road at peak hours.
- 2. Reduce the number of vehicles on the road (instead of "reduce congestion")

Purpose #4:

Integrate transit investments and land use plans.

Objectives:

- 1. Encourage cities in developing land use plans that support transit (to replace #3).
- 2. Enable development that supports transit use which reduces vehicle trips (to replace #3)
- 3. Provide transit service to "transit friendly" developing areas.

Purpose # 5:

Increase transit ridership especially during commute times by improving motorized and non-motorized infrastructure that serves transit and providing attractive passenger amenities.

Objectives:

- 1. Improve and maintain sidewalks, bike lanes, and trails.
- 2. Provide a safe and secure environment at transit facilities.
- 3. Increase bicycle capacity on transit vehicles.

Future Meetings

Roger Borgenicht and Dorothy Barlow will represent the Salt Lake City Sub-Committee at the Regional Workshops. The next sub-committee meeting will be held on August 22nd from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Salt Lake City and County Building, room 118. Parking in the Main Library east of the City and County Building will be validated.

Any discrepancies with this meeting summary, please notify Jacqueline Jensen.

Cc: Attendees, Project Contact List, Salt Lake City Sub-Committee Members